

April 2009

Potato Creek State Park

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PLEASE NOTE: Programs are free of charge (except as noted) and open to the public after paying the park admission fee.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2009

9am-Noon **CANADA GOOSE CONTROL SEMINAR** - Learn how to legally and effectively control local Canada goose populations in this seminar. The program will cover various aspects of Canada goose management, including relevant laws, basic biology, and methods to control damage caused by geese. A demonstration on the proper techniques for egg and nest destruction will follow. The seminar is free and will be presented by the IDNR Urban Wildlife Biologist.
MEET: NATURE CENTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2009

10:00 a.m. **FEEDING TIME** - Come to the nature center to watch the animals being fed. 30 minutes.

MEET: NATURE CENTER

1-4 p.m. **\$\$ BAT HOUSE WORKSHOP** - Learn a little more about these beneficial animals and make a bat house to take home. For ages 8 and up. *Advance registration requested*, limit 40. \$10 fee
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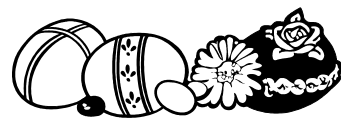
SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2009


2:00 p.m. **HUMMINGBIRDS UP CLOSE** - This video is a great guide to attracting, identifying and enjoying hummingbirds as we prepare for their arrival. 1 hour.

MEET: NATURE CENTER AUDITORIUM

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2009

 **don't miss the** 
big egg hunt



 **10:30 a.m.** **EGG HUNT (\$2 fee)** - The bunny will visit and leave treats for kids of all ages. Come join in the search for these springtime treats. Hosted by the Friends of Potato Creek.

MEET: PEPEPRMINT HILL SHELTER

2:00 p.m. **OSPREY!** - Hear about the endangered "fish hawk" in this talk and then go out and see if you can find one. 45 minutes.

MEET: NATURE CENTER AUDITORIUM



SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2009

2:00 p.m. **LIFE AT A BEAVER POND** - Sit back and relax while you enjoy some great footage on the lives and habits of beaver. 50 minutes.

MEET: NATURE CENTER AUDITORIUM

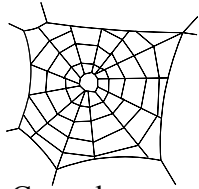
April Nature Center Hours (Eastern Time)

Saturdays: 9:00 AM – 5:00 p.m. Sundays: Noon – 5:00 p.m. Wednesday – Friday: Noon – 4 p.m.

CLOSED: Mondays & Tuesdays;

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2009

7:00 p.m. TURKEY HUNTING WORKSHOP - Pick up tips & tricks, learn about equipment, laws, and safety for turkey hunting in the final session of the sportsmen's series. Pre registration is requested, but not required. Call the park at (574) 656-8186



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SATURDAY APRIL 18, 2009

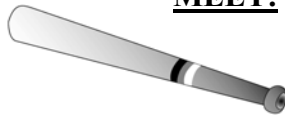
10:00 a.m. WEB WEAVERS— Come learn some interesting facts about spiders to impress your friends! 45 minutes. **MEET: NATURE CENTER AUDITORIUM**

2:00 p.m. TRILLERS & CROAKERS - Spring has arrived and so have some species of frogs. Come discover more about these vocal amphibians. 45 minutes.

MEET: NATURE CENTER AUDITORIUM

SUNDAY APRIL 19, 2009

2:00 p.m. ATTRACTING BIRDS - Pick up some tips on how to attract birds to YOUR backyard from this video. 1 hour **MEET: NATURE CENTER AUDITORIUM**



TUESDAY, APRIL 21 2009

7:00 p.m. FRIENDS MEETING — HOOSIER BAT COMPANY PRESENTATION - Hear of a local company that uses one of our natural resources to make baseball bats. Bring a snack to share and get involved! **MEET: NATURE CENTER**



SATURDAY APRIL 25, 2009

9:00 a.m. SAVE THE WILDFLOWERS - GARLIC MUSTARD PULL - - Join the Friends of Potato Creek & the local Sierra Club for an hour, or the day, to help fight these alien invaders threatening our woodland wildflowers. Gloves recommended.

MEET: NATURE CENTER

10:00 a.m. FLOWER ID BASICS - Come learn the basics of wildflower ID so you'll be ready to identify them on the trail. 45 minutes. **MEET: NATURE CENTER AUDITORIUM**

3:30 p.m. \$\$CREATIVE CRAFTS – A variety of different crafts will be available to participate in. These crafts will all have the themes of natures beautiful bloomers. 1 hour. There will be a small materials fee for some crafts. **MEET: NATURE CENTER**



SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2009

10:00 a.m. BEAUTIFUL BLOOMERS WALK – Join us on a casual walk through the woods to see the spring wildflowers. 1 hour **MEET: QUAKING ASPEN EAST P. LOT**

2:00 p.m. WILDFLOWERS OF POTATO CREEK – Come enjoy a colorful slide show on the flowers of the park through the seasons. 30 minutes.

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